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CURIOSITY! LOOK  
UPON THE CURSE--  
THE FAMILY FREAK!

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TO PRY AT THE  
LOCK OF THE  
FORBIDDEN  
ROOM --I-



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You find that your curiosity is stronger than your fear---because the door is locked--and beyond it is a dreadful, nameless something that makes sounds in the night--sounds which draw you into the darkness--to the steps--to the door--well--it's now or never! Open it--and look at the

# FREAK!



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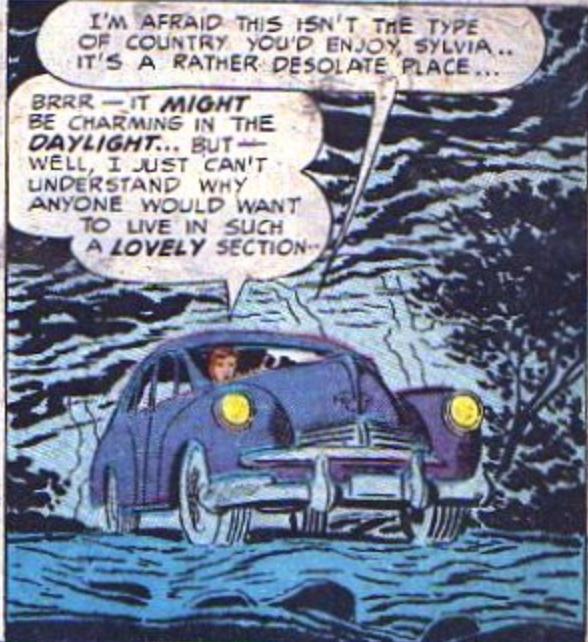
THERE ARE CERTAIN FACTS IN SYLVIA BREWSTER'S STORY THAT ARE KNOWN TO BE TRUE...THAT SHE DID GO OUT WITH **DOCTOR TONY AUSTIN** THAT FATEFUL EVENING OF MARCH 17<sup>TH</sup>, 1951--THAT DOCTOR AUSTIN **DID** HAVE ONE FINAL CALL TO MAKE AFTER HE CALLED FOR SYLVIA...

YOU DON'T MIND, SYLVIA?  
--**ONE LAST PATIENT**  
TO VISIT -- AND THE  
EVENING WILL  
BE OURS!

WHY **SHOULD I**  
MIND, TONY? IT'S  
A LOVELY RIDE  
OUT INTO THE  
COUNTRY!

I'M AFRAID THIS ISN'T THE TYPE  
OF COUNTRY YOU'D ENJOY, SYLVIA...  
IT'S A RATHER DESOLATE PLACE...

BRRR -- IT **MIGHT**  
BE CHARMING IN THE  
DAYLIGHT... BUT --  
WELL, I JUST CAN'T  
UNDERSTAND WHY  
ANYONE WOULD WANT  
TO LIVE IN SUCH  
A LOVELY SECTION--



# BLACK MAGIC

THERE ARE REASONS,  
SYLVIA .. FOLKS HAVE  
THEIR REASONS!



IT WAS 10:00 P.M. WHEN DOCTOR AUSTIN'S CAR PULLED UP TO THE WEATHER-BEATEN FRAME HOUSE STANDING GRIM AND ALONE IN A SEA OF WEEDS AND MARSHES. THE GIRL DREW HER COAT TIGHTLY ABOUT HER AS IF TO PROTECT HERSELF FROM AN INVISIBLE WIND WHICH BLEW THROUGH THE WARM, HUMID NIGHT...

SYLVIA — I HATE TO ASK YOU TO WAIT OUTSIDE, BUT...

NO! NO, TONY, LET ME COME IN WITH YOU — I'M FRIGHTENED —



I WON'T STAY OUT HERE ALONE--THAT'S FINAL!

I WAS A FOOL TO BRING YOU IN THE FIRST PLACE! COME ALONG —



THAT YOU, DOCTOR? WE DIDN'T THINK YOU'D MAKE IT TONIGHT... LOOKS LIKE A STORM'S BREWIN'?

COME IN, SYLVIA. I'LL TRY NOT TO BE LONG!



HOW IS HE?

HE'S QUIET NOW--YOU'D BETTER GO UP AND GET IT OVER WITH...



THESE ARE THE SHERIDANS, AND THEIR SON, BART, SYLVIA ... I'M SURE THEY'LL MAKE YOU COMFORTABLE. I'LL BE RIGHT DOWN!

YOU CAN SIT IN THIS ROOM, MISS!



# BLACK MAGIC

SYLVIA BREWSTER'S RECOLLECTION OF THE EVENTS THAT FOLLOWED INCLUDE LITTLE CONVERSATION... IN THE DIM LIGHT OF A KEROSENE LAMP SHE SAT RIGID AND FRIGHTENED, A CRINGING TARGET FOR THE COLD, STARING EYES OF THE STRANGERS ABOUT HER...



# BLACK MAGIC

THE MEN STOOD GLARING AT EACH OTHER, WHILE THE WOMAN SLUMPED IN HER CHAIR, WRINING HER HANDS IN ANGUISH--SYLVIA BREWSTER HELD HER BREATH, FEARFUL, LEST HER SLIGHTEST MOTION IGNITE THE TENSION OF THAT AWFUL MOMENT OF SILENCE.



AT TEN-FORTY-FIVE P.M., THE STORM REACHED ITS MOST FURIOUS PITCH... BUT THE RAGING ELEMENTS WERE DWARFED BY THE HORROR THAT STRUCK THE EARS OF THE UNWELCOME VISITOR IN THE SHERIDAN HOUSE THAT NIGHT! AS IF INSPIRED BY THE BLACK CHAOS OUTSIDE, A SERIES OF AGONIZED, UNEARTHLY SCREAMS SHOOK THE WALLS OF THE HOUSE!



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I-I CAN'T SEE ANYTHING IN THIS DARKNESS!  
-- WHERE ARE YOU?  
CAN YOU SPEAK TO ME?

SYLVIA GROPEDE HER WAY ALONG THE DARKENED CORRIDOR -- TOWARD THE SOURCE OF THE STRANGE SOUNDS. HER FOOT FOUND THE STEPS LEADING TO THE ATTIC -- THEN THE SMALL LADDER -- THEN THE TRAP DOOR ABOVE IT...



AT THIS POINT, SYLVIA BREWSTER'S TESTIMONY BECOMES VAGUE AND DISCONNECTED... SHE DESCRIBES A SUDDEN SCUFFING SOUND -- A COARSE BONY HAND GRASPING FRANTICALLY AT HER ANKLES -- AND THEN SHE SCREAMED!

HELP!  
HELP  
ME!



A MOMENT LATER, THE LIGHT OF A LANTERN PIERCED THE TERRIBLE DARKNESS -- ILLUMINATING THE ATTIC ROOM IN ITS FULL INDESCRIBABLE HORROR!

THERE HE IS, SISTER! YOU WANTED TO SEE HIM. HOW DO YOU LIKE HIM --

OH!



# BLACK MAGIC



DOCTOR AUSTIN CARRIED THE HYSTERICAL GIRL  
THROUGH THE ACRID SMOKE INTO THE CHILL  
OF THE STORM -- AS THE ROARING FLAME MOUNTED,  
THE SCREAMS OF THE TRAPPED BROTHERS  
GREW FAINTER -- AND THERE WAS NOTHING HE  
COULD DO FOR THEM!

# BLACK MAGIC

SYLVIA BREWSTER REMEMBERS NOTHING FURTHER OF THAT NIGHT IN THE HOUSE OF HORROR -- WEEKS LATER, SHE REPORTED HER STRANGE TALE. THE AUTHORITIES LISTENED WITH DOUBT AND EMBARRASSMENT.

I TELL YOU IT HAPPENED, INSPECTOR! EXACTLY AS I DESCRIBED IT!

I'VE CHECKED THE COUNTY BIRTH RECORDS, MISS --

THERE'S NO MENTION OF A SECOND SON EVER BEING BORN TO THE SHERIDANS! WHAT HAVE YOU TO SAY, DOCTOR?

MISTER AND MRS. SHERIDAN ARE STILL ALIVE -- I MUST STAND ON MY PROFESSIONAL RIGHTS NOT TO DIVULGE THE CONFIDENCES OF MY PATIENTS!



SORRY, MISS, FOR LACK OF SUFFICIENT EVIDENCE, WE'LL HAVE TO CALL THIS CASE -- CLOSED.

THE CHARRED SKELETON OF THE HOUSE IN THE MARSH STILL STANDS ON THE BLEAK AND LONELY COUNTRYSIDE THAT ONCE ECHOED TO THE UNEARTHLY SHRIEKS OF THE THING IN THE ATTIC... BEAST OR HUMAN -- OR A COMBINATION OF BOTH -- NO ONE WILL EVER KNOW FOR CERTAIN. PERHAPS IT IS BETTER THAT WAY!

The END



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THERE IS ONE TO WATCH OVER EVERY MAN. WHAT SHAPE IT TAKES IS HARD TO DETERMINE.. BUT, IT IS THERE WHEN WE NEED IT! JERRY FOUND THAT OUT WHEN HE WAS FORCED INTO A TIGHT CORNER--AND SHOWN THE ONLY WAY OUT--BY HIS

# Guardian Angel!!

Y-YOU - KEEP AWAY FROM ME! LEAVE ME ALONE! LEAVE ME ALONE!

THAT'S ONE THING - I CAN NEVER DO, JERRY! I'M AFRAID-- I'LL BE WITH YOU ALWAYS! THAT'S MY JOB! TO BE WITH YOU FROM BIRTH TO THE GRAVE!



THE STORY HAS BEEN TOLD IN THE NEWSPAPERS SO MANY TIMES, NO ONE BELIEVES IT OF COURSE! A KILLER, A CHEAP HOODLUM - CORNERED IN A TENEMENT, IS HARDLY LIKELY TO HAVE AN ANGEL FOR A COMPANION AND YET-- THERE WAS THE STORY--

YOU'VE GOT FIVE MINUTES YOUNG, JUST FIVE! COME OUT OR WE'LL COME AND GET YOU!

I-I'M DONE! T-THEY'VE GOT ME COLD--

YOU'RE AFRAID, AREN'T YOU, JERRY! BUT THERE'S REALLY NO NEED TO BE AFRAID--

WHAT IN

BLAZES--! HOW DID YOU GET IN HERE?



# BLACK MAGIC

WHY, I'VE BEEN WITH YOU ALL THE TIME, WHEN THAT POLICEMAN ON THE CORNER RECOGNIZED YOU... WHEN YOU RAN IN HERE... I'M YOUR GUARDIAN ANGEL, JERRY!

YOU'RE MY WHAT?

"YOU MAY CALL ME JOHN," THE STRANGER PURRED... "IT'S AS GOOD A NAME AS ANY!" THE WAY JERRY YOUNG TOLD IT AFTERWARD, THE MAN WAS JUST... A MAN! NOTHING SPECIAL!

YOUR GUARDIAN ANGEL, A DUMB-WAITER! JERRY, EVERY HUMAN BEING HAS ONE, YOU KNOW! SO YOU STILL WANT TO KEEP RUNNING, TRY TO GET OUT THROUGH THE CELLAR! SURE! AND GET SHOT! THEY'LL BE WAITING FOR ME!



NO, JERRY! THEY WON'T... BELIEVE ME! THERE'S A CAR ON THE NEXT BLOCK... WITH THE KEYS IN THE IGNITION! A RED AND BLACK CONVERTIBLE! YOU CAN GET TO IT... IF YOU TAKE THIS REAR CELLAR ENTRANCE!

THERE WAS MORE OF COURSE, UNTIL JERRY YOUNG WAS QUITE CONVINCED THAT HE WAS DEALING WITH A MADMAN... OR A POLICE SPY! BUT HE HAD LITTLE TO LOSE...

NOW DON'T WASTE TIME, JERRY!

OKAY! I'LL TRY IT, BUT, I'LL PAY YOU OFF FIRST... JUST IN CASE YOU'RE SENDING ME INTO A TRAP!



GUARDIAN ANGEL! HAH! DEAD STOOLIE IS MORE LIKE IT! FUNNY... I DON'T SEE ANY COPS...

HERE, JERRY! ...TO YOUR LEFT!



A-A-A-A! I... I JUST SHOT YOU... PUT TWO BULLETS IN YOUR HIDE...

QUIET, JERRY! WE WON'T MANAGE THIS... IF YOU SHOUT!



TREMBLING, SHAKEN TO THE CORE OF HIS BEING, JERRY YOUNG TOOK THAT OFFERED HAND...

THE MAN WHO OWNED THIS CAR DIED AN HOUR AGO, JERRY... OF A HEART ATTACK! IT WILL BE TWO DAYS BEFORE THE CAR IS REPORTED MISSING! FOLLOW ROUTE 42... OUT OF THE CITY!

HOLD ON! BEFORE I GO... YOU'VE GOT TO ANSWER SOME QUESTIONS!



# BLACK MAGIC



JERRY YOUNG  
DROVE ALL  
THAT DAY  
AND THE  
NEXT!  
THEN, HE  
ABANDONED  
THE CAR.  
BY THEN,  
EVEN HE  
DIDN'T  
BELIEVE  
IT ALL! IT  
HAD BEEN  
SOME  
SORT OF  
DREAM!  
IN A  
WEEK HE  
WAS A  
THOUSAND  
MILES  
AWAY  
AND  
HUNGRY!



AFTERWARD,  
JERRY  
YOUNG WAS  
TO INSIST,  
THAT IT WAS  
AS IF  
SOMEONE  
STOOD  
AT HIS  
SHOULDER...  
WHISPERING  
TO HIM  
THE WORDS  
HE MUST  
SAY! AND  
THEY WERE  
THE RIGHT  
WORDS!



# BLACK MAGIC

IT JUST...HAPPENED... THAT JERRY YOUNG STAYED ON FOR WEEKS, DOING ODD JOBS, SLEEPING IN THE LITTLE ROOM OVER THE BARN...

I KNEW YOU'D BE OUT HERE, JERRY! NICE NIGHT, ISN'T IT?

YEAH, I'VE BEEN SITTING OUT HERE LOOKING AT THE STARS! I NEVER NOTICED BEFORE HOW MANY OF THEM THERE ARE!



SHE WAS A FINE WOMAN! NOT THE KIND JERRY HAD ALWAYS KNOWN! HE DREW HER TO HIM AND KISSED HER!



I... IM SORRY! HOPE YOU'RE NOT OFFENDED!

IT WAS JUST THE MOON-LIGHT, JERRY!



YOU SHOULD USE MORE CAUTION! I... I COULD BE A CROOK... OR A MURDERER...

I'D NEVER BELIEVE THAT OF YOU, JERRY! WHY, CAROL AND I TRUST YOU WITH OUR LIVES! GOOD NIGHT, JERRY...



SHE TRUSTS ME WITH HER LIFE... WHAT A LAUGH...

WHY SHOULD THAT AMUSE YOU, MY BOY?



YOU AGAIN! SO GUARDIAN ANGELS READ THOUGHTS TOO, EH? WELL... I SUPPOSE THEY CAN...

I SAID I'D BE WITH YOU WHEN YOU NEEDED ME! YOU'RE IN TROUBLE AGAIN, JERRY! THIS AFTERNOON WHEN YOU WENT TO TOWN FOR THE GROCERIES YOU WERE RECOGNIZED!



YOUR PICTURE IS ON A WANTED POSTER IN THE POST OFFICE! YOU'LL HAVE TO LEAVE, JERRY! NOW! THE MAN WHO SAW YOU IS ON HIS WAY HERE WITH THE SHERIFF...

LEAVE? LEAVE HER AND CAROL?



# BLACK MAGIC

YOU'LL ONLY BE CAPTURED HERE... AND LATER PUT TO DEATH! ARE YOU READY FOR DEATH?

CUT THAT KIND OF TALK! NOBODY'S GONNA PUT ME TO DEATH... NOT WHILE I CAN STILL PULL A TRIGGER! I'M LEAVING RIGHT NOW... WITHOUT SAYING GOOD-BYE TO CAROL... AND... HER...

JERRY YOUNG RETURNED TO THE CITY FROM WHICH HE HAD FLED! IT WAS STILL BIG ENOUGH IN WHICH TO HIDE! JERRY SHOULDN'T HAVE FIGURED IT THAT WAY! THE LAW HAD SHARP EYES!

YOU! WAIT A MINUTE! I WANT TO TALK TO YOU!

THIS CORNER... THIS IS JUST WHERE I WAS SPOTTED LAST TIME! AND, BY THAT SAME COP, OF ALL THE ROTTEN BREAKS!

THAT TENEMENT... THAT'S THE ONE WHERE I HOLED UP LAST TIME! IF I CAN GET TO THAT SAME APARTMENT...

I CAN GO DOWN THE DUMB-WAITER AGAIN!

STOP!

UNBELIEVABLY, JERRY YOUNG MANAGED TO REACH THAT SAME APARTMENT! AND, UNBELIEVABLY, IT WAS STILL UNOCCUPIED! IT WAS EXACTLY AS HE LEFT IT, EXCEPT, FOR ONE THING!

JOHN! I WAS HOPING YOU'D COME! THE DUMB-WAITER! IT WAS HERE! RIGHT HERE! BUT I CAN'T FIND IT!

STILL RUNNING, EH, JERRY?

SURE, I'M RUNNING! I WANT TO GET OUT OF HERE! IF THE COPS GET ME... I'LL BURN! DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND?

MORE THAN YOU REALIZE, MY BOY! DON'T YOU THINK IT'S TIME TO SETTLE YOUR DEBTS... AND FACE ETERNITY LIKE A MAN?

WHAT KIND OF ADVICE IS THAT FROM A GUARDIAN ANGEL? I ISN'T IT YOUR JOB TO PROTECT ME? ANSWER ME!

I HAVE NO JURISDICTION OVER YOUR BODY, JERRY! IT'S MERE FLESH! IT MUST INEVITABLY PERISH! NEITHER OF US CAN STOP THAT!

I TRIED THOUGH! I TOOK LIBERTIES... AND LED YOU FOR ONE BRIEF MOMENT TO THE SCENE OF THE LIFE YOU COULD HAVE HAD... TO A WOMAN AND CHILD... WHO MIGHT HAVE BEEN YOUR OWN...

# I WOULDN'T LET HIM DIE

MY brother Bob and I were no closer than most brothers when we were in grade school, but during our last years in high school we seemed to grow together more and more spiritually as well as physically. Although there was a year between us, both of us reached the six foot level at the same time and both of us weighed in at 180. We were on the football team together and people frequently spoke of us as twins, although he was fair while I am dark.

After graduation, I decided to work for my Dad in his garage and wait for Bob so we could go to college together. It was a good idea, but Bob graduated in June, 1942.

We enlisted in the Marines together and our first disappointment came when we were assigned to different training schools. My experience as a mechanic was the first real difference between us.

We did maneuver our first leave together, and Mother was brave and smiling, although belligerent. "Admiral Stevens is my second cousin," she said. "I'll write him immediately and get you boys into the same outfit."

"It doesn't seem fair that Bill should have waited for Bob and missed him like this," my Dad said. But Bob and I only smiled at one another and nixed the idea. We had a feeling things would work out-without any parental influence.

It did. Bob was through at San Diego the same time I finished at San Francisco and we weren't surprised at all to find we'd been assigned to the same outfit. It had to happen that way; they just couldn't separate us!

Everything went along fine as could be under the circumstances until that day when we arrived at Okinawa. We'd been waiting for two weeks, not knowing for sure what part we were to play. Then, suddenly, we moved in.

Bob was in the initial wave; I was to follow in the second. But somebody's wires got crossed. We knew it as soon as they went ashore: not only had we been apprehended, but the Japs were waiting for us. The entire shore line was trapped with mines and my party was immediately cancelled. Even now, I can remember the hideous, helpless feeling I had, watching Bob literally fall apart before my eyes.



I guess I went crazy for a while. I remember trying to force my way through water after him. Then someone hit me and when I was conscious I was in a berth at ship's hospital and we were far in the Pacific again.

Something happened to me, I don't know what, but I refused to believe Bob was dead. Call it a guilt complex because he was my baby brother, call it shell shock, call it whatever you will but I could not force myself to realize I had seen Bob die.

Complete blackness engulfed my mind whenever Bob entered it. I refused to think about it. When I wrote home, I mentioned Bob as casually as if he were standing beside me. And the funny thing about it was, I believed it myself.

We tried the landing again at another point and were successful. This time I insisted on being in the first wave, figuring, I guess, that I'd be blown up, too. I wasn't, but I was injured and sent home for a rest.

My folks had moved to a town about a hundred miles away from our previous home. And it was when my Dad met me at the station, I realized I would have to accept the truth. They'd received the War Department's official notice that Bob had been killed in action.

I felt sick when I met Mother's eyes. I wanted to tell her it wasn't true, yet no words would come. Finally, in desperation I signalled my Dad with an excuse. I hadn't been home ten minutes, yet I had to get away.

We walked down the main street of the little town and I tried to put my feelings into words. It was hard, especially with Dad looking at me as if I didn't deserve to be loose on leave. And yet, telling it all over, I felt more strongly than ever, that Bob was alive.

Suddenly, just ahead of us, I saw the deliberate familiar shuffle that meant one thing-Bob. "Dad," I cried, "It's Bob!" My Dad put out a restraining hand. But Bob, for it was he, had heard my cry and turned to face us!

"Hi, fella," he said, shaking my hand, tears of happiness running down both our faces. "I knew you'd be home on leave!" He embraced my father, "You sure make it tough for a guy to find you," he complained. "I didn't have your street address."

Bob explained that he'd been taken prisoner and finally had managed to escape. But neither of us could explain the feeling I had—for even when I'd seen it, I'd refused to let him die.

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WAS IT JUST A HALLOWEEN PRANK? ONE COULDN'T BE SURE -- WHEN HE HEARD THE ...

# **HOOF BEATS**

OF THE  
DEVIL'S HORSE

IN THE TOWN OF MILFORD--HALLOWEEN - 1947...



# BLACK MAGIC

AW, YOU KNOW IT'S ONLY ME,  
GRANDPA! WHY PRETEND ANY MORE?  
THE HEADLESS HORSEMAN MAY  
HAVE BEEN A GREAT GHOST  
GIMMICK YEARS AGO... BUT,  
TODAY, IT ISN'T EVEN A  
GOOD KID GAME!

I SEE! YOU YOUNG  
SMARTALECKS  
HAVE IT ALL  
FIGURED OUT,  
HAVEN'T  
YOU? SO  
GHOSTS  
ARE TAME  
STUFF TO  
YOU...

WELL, THERE ARE A  
LOT OF THINGS  
YOU MUST LEARN  
YOUNG MAN!  
THIS STORY  
I'M GOING  
TO TELL  
SHOULD  
BE ONE  
OF  
THEM!

"IT WAS THE  
DAY BEFORE  
HOLLOWEEN IN  
FARNSWORTH'S  
ICE CREAM  
PARLOR ON  
MAIN STREET...  
SOME FORTY  
YEARS AGO!  
Cleo Fields,  
Ben Craig,  
and I,  
like three  
sinister  
plotters sat  
eagerly  
contriving  
a scheme  
that would  
outshine  
any other  
Halloween  
prank ever  
conceived  
in the  
neighborhood!"

WELL WHAT'LL  
IT BE, MASTER  
MINDS... DO  
WE PUT MISTER  
KELLY'S HAY  
WAGON ON  
TOP OF HIS  
BARN  
AGAIN?

OLD STUFF!  
THIS PRANK  
MUST HAVE  
THE TRUE  
HALLOWEEN  
SPIRIT. THIS  
HAS TO BE A  
REAL SCARY  
ONE!

SAY! DO EITHER  
OF YOU ...  
REMEMBER  
THE LEGEND  
OF SLEEPY  
HOLLOW?

GREAT! WHICH  
ONE OF YOU  
PLAYS THE  
HEADLESS  
HESIAN  
HORSEMAN...

SHHHH...  
SOMEONE  
WILL  
OVER-  
HEAR  
US IN  
THIS  
PLACE!  
TELL YOU  
WHAT?  
SUPPOSE  
WE MEET  
AT KELLY'S  
BARN IN  
**TWENTY  
MINUTES...**  
AND GET  
THIS STUNT  
ON ITS  
WAY!

"I'LL  
NEVER  
FORGET  
THAT  
AFTER-  
NOON  
'AND  
NEITHER  
WILL  
CLEO/  
POOR  
GIRL!  
WHEN  
SHE  
CAME  
TO  
THE  
BARN  
DOOR  
LATER,  
HER  
EYES  
ALMOST  
POPPED  
OUT OF  
HER  
HEAD!"

FRED! BEN, WHERE  
ARE... OOH-H...  
HELP!

GREAT SCOTT! KEEP  
QUIET, CLEO... OR YOU'LL  
DRAW THE WHOLE TOWN  
TO THIS SPOT AND  
SPOIL THE GAG!



# BLACK MAGIC



# BLACK MAGIC

TEN MINUTES BEFORE MIDNIGHT I QUIETLY LEFT THE PARTY. BEN AND CLEO MET ME ON THE STREET A FEW MOMENTS LATER...

HURRY FRED, YOU HAVEN'T GOT MUCH TIME! I HOPE NOTHING GOES WRONG! I'M SO EXCITED! THE ENTIRE TOWN WILL STAY BEHIND LOCKED DOORS FOR WEEKS WHEN THIS IS OVER!

IT ALL DEPENDS ON HOW WELL WE CARRY IT OFF!

WELL, PETER... THE HORSEMAN RODE THAT EERIE NIGHT! THE HOOF BEATS OF HIS HORSE WAS THE DEVIL'S TATTOO IN THE DARKNESS... AND HE BURST INTO THE LIGHT OF MAIN STREET LIKE AN EVIL CLAP OF THUNDER... THROWING FIERY HOOF SPARKS INTO THE SCATTERING, SHRIEKING CROWD...



AFTER THE HORSEMAN VANISHED IN THE NIGHT, THE SMELL OF BRIMSTONE LINGERED IN THE AIR FOR DAYS... THERE WASN'T A PERSON IN TOWN WHO EVER REALLY GOT OVER HIS FRIGHT!"

HA! HA! HA! THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN PRETTY MAD IF THEY'D KNOWN IT WAS YOU ALL THE TIME!

HA, HA, YOURSELF! I WAS THE MOST FRIGHTENED ONE OF ALL! I STILL AM!



BUT WHY, GRAMPS! YOU KNEW IT WAS ALL A GAG! YOU THOUGHT OF IT!

YES, BUT I NEVER CARRIED IT OUT! MY HORSE THREW A SHOE ON THE WAY TO TOWN.. I WAS WALKING HIM ALONG THE ROAD... WHEN I HEARD THE RISING SOUND THAT ROLLED BY ME LATER LIKE A FIERY BLAST... THE DEVIL'S HOOF BEATS!



The END



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# WARNING



ROY Bonds woke slowly to realize that he was lying in a pool of his own perspiration. His whole body was soaked and he was aware of a stifling heat that smothered him so he could hardly breathe.

Staggering to the window, he threw it open. A light snow fell outside, the first snow of the season. A cold blast of wind hit him, but did not cool his body. He stood, breathing laboriously, letting the cold wind dry the sweat on his body, but the heat from within continued to roll over him like blankets of fire.

This was no ordinary fever. He felt fine, except for the intense heat. What was it? He walked over to the steam radiator; it was cold.

Just then a knock came at the door; he threw on a robe and answered it. It was Mrs. Anderson, his landlady, with two blankets. "The furnace is on the bum," she said, "you'll need these two blankets before morning. I've got a man coming to look at it tomorrow."

He thanked her absently and took the blankets. Couldn't she see he was burning up? Blankets! Suddenly he wished he'd said something to the woman, for he could not understand this thing. He was not easily frightened—apparently he had not looked sick. What was it then that left his mind clear even as it drained every ounce of water from his heavy body?

He looked at the clock. He had been in bed only two hours. It seemed like a week. What had he been doing in bed so early? Of course! He was going back to the Refinery tonight. Every available man had been alerted to help find the gas leak. Gas had been gathering fast when he left. If they didn't find it soon there would be an explosion—a bad one.

What time was he supposed to report? Midnight? Ah, but he couldn't go, feeling like this. The boys had probably found the leak, anyway. Surely there would have been an explosion by this time if they hadn't.

The night was ten years long. He rolled, he

tossed, he walked the floor, he smoked heavily, but he could not sleep. And always the heat, the smothering heat. By daylight he was completely drained of strength, but he managed to make it to the telephone, to report in that he was ill and would not appear for work.

He forgot to ask about the gas leak, but he didn't have to ask. Back in his room the heat suddenly left his body and he felt normal in every respect except for the tiredness. He was just crawling into bed, knowing that now he could sleep, when the explosion came.

Once again he ran to the window and threw it open. The concussion still rocked houses, shattered windows. He could see wood, steel and twisted debris floating weirdly in the air. Great belching oil smoke screened and distorted the broken bodies borne high by the blast. Not wanting to think, Roy threw on his clothes and ran from the house. He was thankful that the sickness had passed, that the anxiety of the night before had been changed into action. He hoped he could be of some use.

He scurried through the gates and was two blocks from the scene of the explosion when, as it had left, the heat struck his body again. Sweat broke out and before he could take a dozen steps, his clothing was soaked. The intense, suffocating blinding warmth defied him to move!

This time Roy knew what it was. He recognized it as a warning. It had happened the night before so that he would not report for work. It was happening now so that he would stay away from the scene of another explosion. In his mind he had been able to see the gas storage tank in the vicinity of the fire. It was inevitable that it should explode next.

Roy was able to turn toward the street. He was aware of many people, of shouting, of sirens and fire engines coming from all sides. But his fear now was greater than the heat. Blindly, hysterically, he began to run, faster and faster away from danger. He could not help himself.

He could not help himself, either, as the big fire truck speeded toward him, roaring wildly. There was a screech of brakes and a terrifying scream just before the truck tore Roy's body to shreds.

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# BLACK MAGIC

## The MARY CELESTE: SHIP of EVIL!



THEY SAID SHE WAS SATAN'S PLAYTHING, ACCURSED FROM THE DAY HER KEEL FIRST TASTED SALT WATER. AND HER BLACK HISTORY BEARS THEM OUT!

SHE WAS FOUND OFF THE COAST OF PORTUGAL ON DEC. 4, 1872! A BRIG WITH ALL SAILS SET, HOLDING A STEADY COURSE ... AND YET THERE WAS NO HELMSMAN AT THE WHEEL!

WHAT DID YOU FIND? CAPTAIN DEVEAU, IT... IT'S INSANE! HER LOG SHOWS SHE CARRIED A CAPTAIN BRIGGS, HIS WIFE AND NINE SEAMEN. BUT THEY'RE GONE, AS IF THE DEVIL HIMSELF HAD SNATCHED THEM!

ELEVEN SOULS...GONE! AND A SHIP THAT SAILED HERSELF! BUT THAT WAS ONLY PART OF THE TALES. BACK IN ENGLAND, WEEKS LATER, THE QUEEN'S PROCTOR HELD INQUIRY...

I TELL YOU, SIRS, THE MARY CELESTE IS AN EVIL VESSEL! I KNOW! I BUILT HER! TWO OF HER CAPTAINS ARE DEAD! TWICE SHE'S STRUCK SHOALS! SHE'S A DEVIL SHIP!

RIDICULOUS! THIS THE NINETEENTH CENTURY, SIR! THE CREW OF THE MARY CELESTE HAS VANISHED, BUT AN EXPLANATION EXISTS! AND WE SHALL FIND IT!



BUT THE EXPLANATION WAS NEVER FOUND! NOR WAS THIS THE END! THE MARY CELESTE WAS TO SAIL AGAIN!... OFF MONTEVIDEO...

OUR DECK LOAD GONE, RIGGING FOULDED... AND ALL BECAUSE OF A STORM A DINGHY COULD HAVE RIDDEN OUT! BAH! SHE'S ROTTEN TO THE HEART!

MEN SAILED HER... AND DIED! MEN BOUGHT HER AND WENT BANKRUPT! DEATH AND DESTRUCTION RODE HER WAKE! AND AT PORT AU PRINCE, HAITI ON JAN. 3, 1885...



SO DIED THE MARY CELESTE, THOUGH HER SKIPPER LIVED... TO BE TRIED FOR SINKING HER FOR HER INSURANCE! BUT THE MYSTERY REMAINS! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE CREW OF THE ACCURSED BRIG WHO CAN SAY THE LOG OF THE DEVIL SHIP IS CLOSED?



THE PORT OF ST. HELENA...

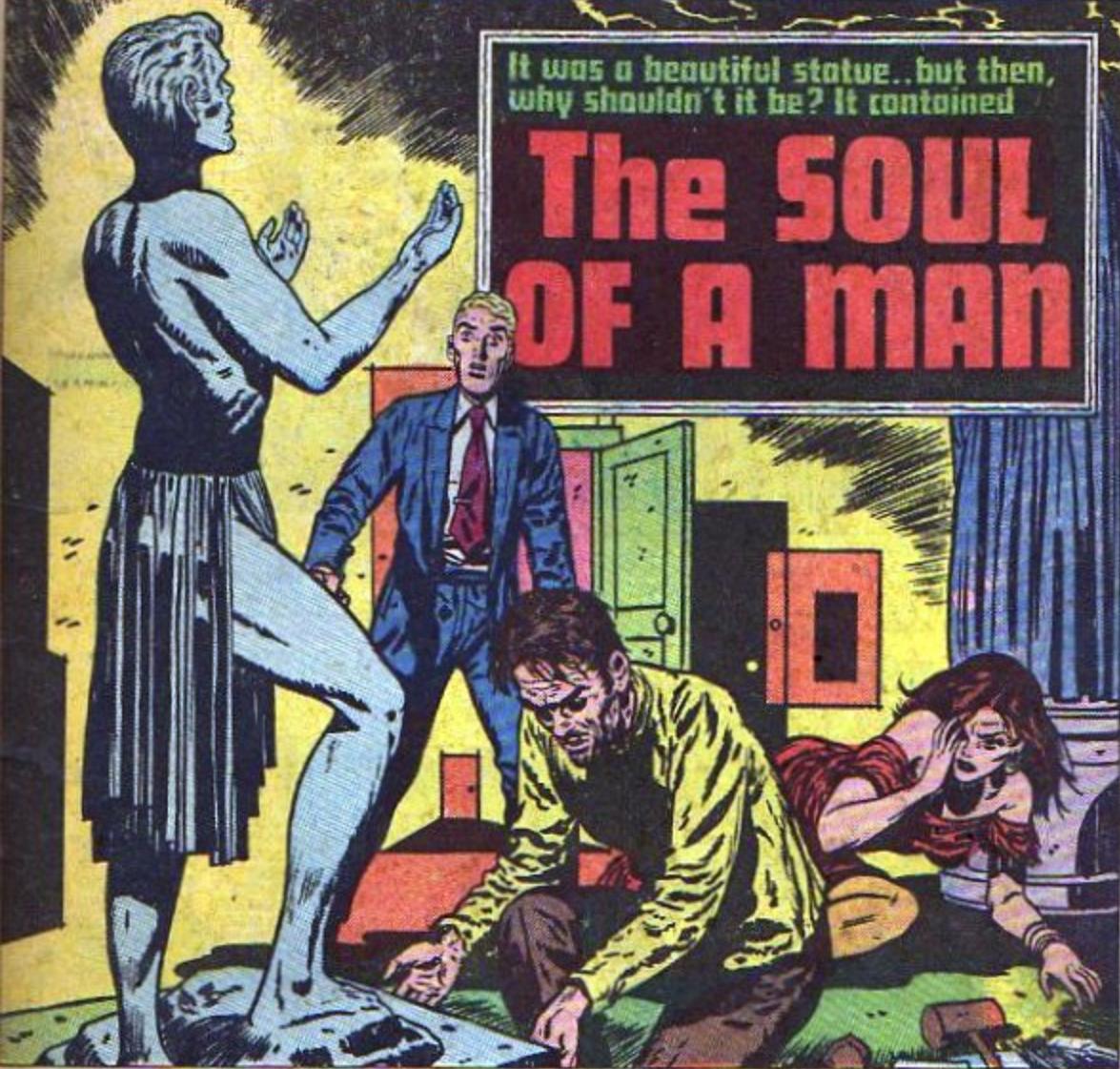
INCREDIBLE! YOUR CAPTAIN WAS ILL, YES; BUT TO DIE SO QUICKLY! THIS IS THE BRIG MARY CELESTE, DOCTOR! WHY WOULD HE NOT DIE SO QUICKLY?



# BLACK MAGIC

It was a beautiful statue..but then,  
why shouldn't it be? It contained

## The SOUL OF A MAN



"WALTER PITTIBONE, ONE OF THE FOREMOST ART DEALERS OF OUR DAY, WAS FIRST TO STUMBLE UPON THE EXISTENCE OF THIS AMAZING CRAFTSMAN!"

I TELL YOU, PETER, THE MAN IS THE PEER OF MICHELANGELO, IF NOT SUPERIOR!"

COME ON, NOW, WALTER! THAT'S A PRETTY STRONG STATEMENT--ESPECIALLY

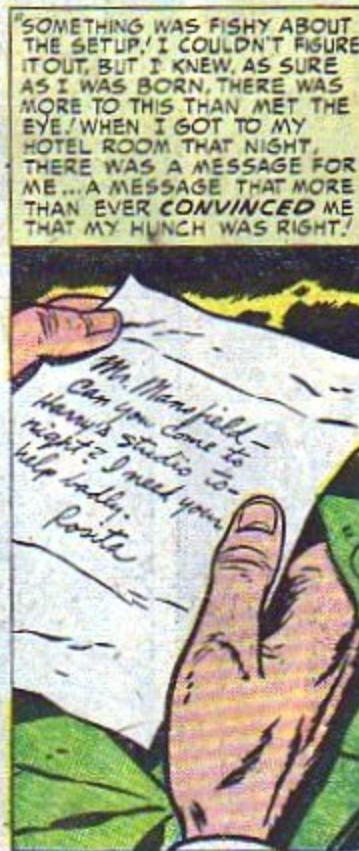
COMING FROM A MAN OF YOUR REPUTATION!"



THAT ALONE SHOULD CONVINCE YOU! BUT, COME WITH ME, YOU MAY DOUBT WHAT YOU HEAR--NEVER, WHAT YOU SEE!"



# BLACK MAGIC



# BLACK MAGIC

"I FOLLOWED PETTIBONE INTO HIS OFFICE, HALF-SMILING, BUT THE SMILE WAS SOON TO DISAPPEAR. FOR THERE ON HIS DESK WAS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WORK OF ART I'D EVER SEEN IN MY FIFTEEN YEARS AS A PROFESSIONAL CRITIC!"

GREAT SCOTT! YOU WERE RIGHT, WALTER, IT'S A MASTERSPIECE! IT RANKS WITH THE GREATEST WORKS EVER DONE!

IT OUTDOES THEM! AND SOMEHOW I FEEL THAT THERE'S AN EVIL QUALITY ABOUT IT! I DON'T KNOW WHY IT SHOULD STRIKE ME THAT WAY!

EVIL OR NOT, SUCH DRAMATIC INTENSITY OF LINE HASN'T BEEN SEEN FOR CENTURIES! WHO ON EARTH IS THE SCULPTOR, WALTER?

THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE GOING TO FIND OUT! I'LL GIVE YOU HIS ADDRESS! INTERVIEW HIM! SEE WHAT ELSE HE'S DONE! WHAT HE IS DOING NOW. I WANT TO KNOW ALL ABOUT HIM!

BUT, REMEMBER... DON'T BREATHE A WORD OF THIS TO ANYONE! PLAY ALONG WITH ME, MANSFIELD! YOU KNOW I CAN BE MOST GENEROUS!

WALTER, YOU'RE A SHREWD OPERATOR! IT'S A DEAL! I'LL LOOK UP THIS GENIUS RIGHT NOW!

"THE ADDRESS TURNED OUT TO BE A COLD-WATER FIRETRAP ON THE WEST SIDE OF TOWN, THE HUMBLE CRADLE OF GREATNESS! I SPOKE TO THE LANDLADY... A WRY, OLD HARRIDAN!"

HARRY COOPER? YEAH... HE LIVES HERE! HIS STUDIO'S ON THE TOP FLOOR! YOU CAN'T BE A FRIEND OF HIS... HE HATES EVERYBODY!

REALLY? I UNDERSTAND HE DOES SOME FINE WORK!

SAY, ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BUYING THOSE STATUES HE MAKES? LISTEN, IF THAT CRACKPOT DOES SELL YOU ONE... LET ME KNOW, WILL YA? HE OWES ME TWO MONTHS RENT!

I SEE...

"IT WAS THE TYPICAL STARVING ARTIST SITUATION! BUT, IF THIS HARRY COOPER WAS THE TALENT I THOUGHT HE WAS... HE WOULDN'T BE HUNGRY FOR LONG! I CLIMBED THE OLD, NEGLECTED STAIRS AND KNOCKED ON COOPER'S DOOR..."

WHATEVER, YOU'RE SELLING, WE DON'T WANT ANY! NOW BEAT IT! BEFORE I THROW YOU DOWN THE STAIRS...

YOU GOT IT WRONG, PAL! I'M BUYING, NOT SELLING!

# BLACK MAGIC

THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOTICED YOUR WORK. I'M REPRESENTING THEM! I'M ALSO AN ART CRITIC IN MY OWN RIGHT!

SO YOU'RE AN ART CRITIC, EH? WHAT AM I SUPPOSE TO DO, BOW?

LOOK, MANSFIELD! I RECOGNIZED YOU WHEN YOU FIRST CAME UP, AND I STILL DON'T WANT ANY PART OF YOU! YOU GUYS ARE NOTHING BUT A BUNCH OF LEECHES TRYING TO...

HARRY! PLEASE!



HE ONLY WANTS TO HELP US... AND... GOODNESS KNOWS WE NEED HELP!

THE GIRL IS RIGHT, COOPER! GET RID OF THE CHIP ON YOUR SHOULDER! I MAY BE INSTRUMENTAL IN MAKING YOU FAMOUS!

HE LOOKED AT ME FOR A MOMENT, AND THEN, WITHOUT SHOWING ANY SIGN OF EMOTION ONE WAY OR ANOTHER, HE STARTED TO WALK AWAY!



FROM THE MOMENT I STEPPED INSIDE THE STUDIO I REALIZED THAT THE WORK WALTER PETTIBONE HAD BOUGHT WAS ONLY A MINOR EFFORT. FOR STREWN AND, I USE THAT WORD ADVISEDLY, AROUND THE ROOM WAS THE GREATEST TREASURE OF ART WORK I HAD SEEN IN ONE PLACE IN MY LIFE!

GREAT SCOTT! I WONDER IF THIS MAN REALIZES THE VALUE OF HIS WORK... OR, THE EXTENT OF HIS GENIUS!

DO YOU LIKE THEM, MR. MANSFIELD?



IT'S BREATHTAKEING! ABSOLUTELY BREATHTAKEING!

YOU SO-CALLED EXPERTS ARE NOTHING BUT A LOT OF FLEAS.. CRAWLING OVER THE WORK OF OTHER FLEAS! HOW CAN YOU ESTIMATE THE REAL VALUE OF MY WORK?



# BLACK MAGIC

ROSITA  
FELL  
DOWN  
THE STAIRS,  
THEY  
MUST  
HAVE  
HAD  
FISTS!  
I'VE  
COVERED  
MANY A  
STREET  
BRAWL  
IN MY  
CAREER  
AS A  
NEWSPAPER-  
MAN.  
AND I  
KNEW  
KNUCKLE  
MARKS  
WHEN  
I SEE  
THEM...

THIS AFTERNOON YOU SAID  
YOU WERE SENT HERE BY  
WALTER PETTIBONE. ARE  
YOU COMMISSIONED TO  
BUY ANY OF HARRY'S  
WORK FOR HIM?

WHAT  
IS THIS  
ALL  
ABOUT,  
ROSITA?

PLEASE, MR.  
MANSFIELD! WE  
HAVEN'T MUCH  
TIME! I DON'T  
WANT THE MONEY  
FOR MYSELF!  
IT'S FOR HARRY!  
HE...HE'S...

LOOK, HONEY! WHY DON'T  
YOU BREAK DOWN AND  
GIVE ME THE WHOLE  
STORY ON THIS NUT?  
MAYBE, I CAN HELP  
YOU!

IT'S NOT WHAT YOU THINK, MR. MANSFIELD!  
HARRY IS A GOOD MAN... UNTIL A YEAR  
AGO, YOU WOULDN'T HAVE WANTED  
TO SEE A FINER, GENTLER SOUL!  
I WAS IN LOVE WITH HIM... FOR,  
TO ME, HE REPRESENTED EVERY-  
THING IN THE WORLD THAT  
WAS CLEAN AND  
GOOD.

AND THEN, SOMETHING  
HAPPENED TO HIM!

ANOTHER  
WOMAN!

IT WAS THAT I WOULDN'T BE  
HERE TODAY! I COULDN'T STAND  
THE WAY OF HIS HAPPINESS...  
EVEN IF IT MEANT GIVING HIM  
UP! NO, IT WASN'T ANOTHER  
WOMAN, MR. MANSFIELD! IT  
WAS SOMETHING ELSE...  
SOMETHING WHICH I CANNOT  
EXPLAIN...

ONE DAY, JUST ABOUT A YEAR  
AGO, HE LOCKED HIMSELF IN  
THAT ROOM YOU SEE OVER  
THERE! FOR DAYS HE DIDN'T  
COME OUT! HE SEEMED TO  
BE WORKING FURIOUSLY,  
COMPLETELY ABSORBED  
BY WHAT HE WAS DOING!  
I TRIED IN VAIN TO GET  
HIM TO OPEN THE  
DOOR! BUT, IT  
WAS NO USE...

FINALLY, ONE DAY, THE DOOR  
OPENED AND THE FIGURE OF  
A MAN EMERGED FROM THAT  
ROOM, WHO LOOKED LIKE  
HARRY! BUT A CHANGED  
HARRY! EVIL! UNCOUTH  
AND BEASTLY! LIKE MR.  
HYDE HAVING DONE  
AWAY WITH DOCTOR  
JEKYLL!

# BLACK MAGIC

ARE YOU CERTAIN  
THERE WAS NO ONE  
ELSE IN THAT ROOM  
WITH HIM?

I DON'T KNOW! HE'S  
FORBIDDEN ME EVER  
TO ENTER IT!



WELL HE HASN'T  
FORBIDDEN ME!

NO! YOU MUSTN'T GO  
THERE! YOU DON'T KNOW  
WHAT HARRY'S LIKE WHEN  
HIS ANGER IS AROUSED!



I'M ONLY TRYING  
TO GET TO THE BOTTOM  
OF THIS, ROSITA!

GO INTO THAT ROOM...  
AND YOU'LL WISH  
YOU'D NEVER BEEN  
BORN, MANSFIELD!



HARRY!

I'LL FINISH THE JOB I STARTED  
ON YOU AS SOON AS I'M  
THROUGH WITH MANSFIELD!



I'M WARNING YOU,  
COOPER! IF YOU STRIKE  
THIS GIRL AGAIN...

PLEASE, MISTER MANSFIELD!  
YOU MUST GO! I... I'M  
SORRY I CALLED YOU...



THE PLEADING LOOK IN THE GIRL'S EYES, SOMEHOW  
TOLD ME THAT I'D BE HURTING HER MORE BY  
STAYING. BUT, EVEN AS I TURNED TO THE DOOR,  
I KNEW I WAS DOING THE WRONG THING!

IF YOU NEED ME, ROSITA...  
WELL... YOU KNOW WHERE  
YOU CAN FIND ME!



# BLACK MAGIC

I QUICKLY REGRETTED LEAVING HER ALONE WITH COOPER! NO SOONER HAD I EMERGED FROM THE SHABBY TENEMENT, WHEN ROSITA'S SCREAMS SHATTERED THE SILENCE OF NIGHT!



"IN A MATTER OF SECONDS, I WAS BACK UP THE STAIRS, AND AS I OPENED THE DOOR TO COOPER'S STUDIO...



DON'T GO IN THERE! HARRY'S GONE COMPLETELY MAD... HE'LL...

I'VE GOT A SURE CURE FOR IT! HE'S GOT THIS COMING TO HIM!



THE OLD WOOD IN THE DOOR WAS SOAK AND IT YIELDED TO MY SHOULDER, EASILY! I RUSHED INTO THE FORBIDDEN ROOM AND FROZE MY TRACKS! HARRY WAS THERE AND BESIDE HIM WAS A WORK OF ART WHICH WAS IMPOSSIBLE TO DESCRIBE FOR ITS SHEER BEAUTY!



"IT WAS A STATUE OF COOPER HIMSELF! THE MOST MAGNIFICENT PIECE OF SCULPTURE I HAD EVER SEEN! I READ THE TITLE... 'SOUL OF A MAN!' AND, FOR THE FIRST TIME, I BEGAN TO UNDERSTAND!"

NOT EXACTLY, MANSFIELD! I HAD HELP! HIGH PRICED HELP! BUT, IT WAS WELL WORTH IT! STAGGERING ISN'T IT! KEEPS AWAY! DON'T COME ANY CLOSER!



"COOPER'S EYES BLAZED LIKE TWO, WHITE HOT COALS! HE WAS NO LONGER HUMAN! HOW COULD HE BE? HE DIDN'T HAVE A SOUL! IT HAD BEEN TAKEN FROM HIM AND TRANSPLANTED IN THE STATUE!"

SO YOU'RE NOT A GENIUS AFTER ALL, ARE YOU, HARRY? YOU'RE MERELY THE TOOL OF AN EVIL POWER!



# BLACK MAGIC



"AT FIRST COOPER DIDN'T SEEM TO COMPREHEND WHAT HAD HAPPENED! BUT THEN, AS THE REALIZATION CAME TO HIM, HE ROSE TO HIS FEET, AND WITH THE FRENZY OF A THOUSAND DEMONS, BEGAN TO RUN FROM STATUE TO STATUE... SMASHING THEM TO PIECES!"



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## **THE BOY WHO WAS 2000 YEARS OLD**



HIS YOUNG, WASTED BODY TWISTED AND LEAPED BENEATH THE BLANKETS TO THE RISE AND FALL OF AN INVISIBLE LASH! AND, EYE WITNESSES WERE TO SEE MANY OTHER SIGNS OF TRUTH IN THIS MOST ASTOUNDING CASE HISTORY OF A BOY WHO INSISTED HE WAS A GALLEY SLAVE IN A NAVY WHICH HAD PASSED INTO HISTORY. WHETHER YOU BELIEVE THEM OR NOT, THESE ARE THE FACTS AS THEY HAPPENED.

# BLACK MAGIC

HAD IT HAPPENED TO A GROWN MAN THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN TRICKERY INVOLVED. THERE MIGHT HAVE BEEN A LOGICAL EXPLANATION! BUT IT HAPPENED TO ANDY LOOMIS, A TEN YEAR OLD BOY!

LATIN? THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! ANDY'S STILL IN PUBLIC SCHOOL! THAT'S STRANGE! HE SPEAKS LATIN WITH AMAZING FLUENCY! HE'S SAYING SOMETHING ABOUT SHIPS AND GALLEY SLAVES... AND THAT HIS NAME IS SILANUS!

FRANKLY, SIR! ALL WE CAN DO RIGHT NOW IS WAIT FOR THE CRISIS TO DEVELOP! HOWEVER, I WOULD LIKE TO BRING A COLLEAGUE HERE TO LOOK AT THE BOY! PROFESSOR HENNING OF THE UNIVERSITY!

BUT WHAT CAN WE DO FOR ANDY?

WE'RE WORRIED ABOUT THE BOY, DOCTOR! HE JUST WOKE UP THIS WAY... MUMBLING WORDS WE CAN'T UNDERSTAND!

ANDY HAS PNEUMONIA, MRS. LOOMIS! DELIRIUM IS TO BE EXPECTED! BUT WHAT HE'S SAYING MAKES SENSE... IF YOU KNOW LATIN!



NOTHING, PROFESSOR HENNING IS A STUDENT OF ANCIENT LANGUAGES! I KNOW IT SEEMS ODD, BUT I'D LIKE HIM TO HEAR WHAT ANDY IS SAYING! MY LATIN IS RATHER LIMITED TO PRESCRIPTIONS AND THE LIKE!

EVEN THEN, THE DOCTOR MUST HAVE HAD AN INKLING OF THE TRUE NATURE OF THE PHENOMENON WHICH WAS TAKING PLACE! IN THE END HE WON THE BOY'S PARENTS OVER!

WELL, PROFESSOR... IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! HE JUST DESCRIBED THE DOCKS OF ROME! ROME AS IT WAS TWENTY CENTURIES AGO! AS IF HE HAD SEEN THE DOCKS WITH HIS OWN EYES!



HE SAYS HIS NAME IS SILANUS, AND SO HAVE I! MANY PEOPLE IMAGINE THAT THAT HE IS A SLAVE ABOARD THE IMPERIAL GALLEY OF THE EMPEROR THERIUS CLAUDIO'S! I'VE HEARD ABOUT SUCH CASES BEFORE, BUT...



# BLACK MAGIC



FOR HOURS, THE FEVER RACKED BOY RAVED ON! HE DESCRIBED THE RIVER TIBER AS HE HAD KNOWN IT, THE EMPEROR CLAUDIUS! THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF A LONG-DEAD CIVILIZATION. THEN, SUDDENLY—



HE TRIED TO STRANGLE YOU! HIS FINGERS WERE LIKE STEEL. IT WAS DIFFICULT TO BREAK HIS HOLD!

OCCIDE -- WAS THE LATIN WORD FOR "KILL!" THE BOY SAID HE HATED ME! THAT I WAS LUCIUS-- THE SLAVE MASTER OF THE EMPEROR'S GALLEY!



AND NOW-- HE THINKS HE'S KILLED ME. ) WHAT ARE  
HE KNOWS THAT HE'LL BE BOUND ) YOU DOING  
TO THE MAST AND WHIPPED TO ) TO MY BOY!  
DEATH, BUT HE DOESN'T CARE! ) LEAVE HIM  
HE WANTS HIS LIFE OF ) ALONE! YOU'RE  
MISERY TO COME ) NOT HELPING  
TO AN END.. ) HIM!



YOU MUSTN'T BE FRIGHTENED BY ALL THIS, MISTER LOOMIS. THIS PROFESSOR ISN'T HURTING THE BOY-- ONLY LISTENING TO HIM. PLEASE BEAR WITH US--

NO! WE WANT NO PART OF YOUR MUMBO JUMBO, GET OUT!



# BLACK MAGIC

LISTEN! SUNRISE! SILANUS IS TO BE WHIPPED TO DEATH AT SUNRISE...

BLAST YOU! I SAID GET OUT!

I...I THINK WE HAD BETTER GO PROFESSOR!



IT'S THE MOST AMAZING THING I'VE EVER WITNESSED, DOCTOR! IF THOSE PEOPLE WOULD ONLY LET US REMAIN...

PNEUMONIA IS A SERIOUS ILLNESS! THE BOY'S CRUCIAL MOMENT SHOULD COME AT SUNRISE! IT'S STRANGE THAT THIS SILANUS HE SPEAKS ABOUT SHOULD MEET HIS FATE AT THE SAME TIME!



LEO HUNT WAS A DOCTOR. HIS FIRST CONCERN WAS FOR HIS PATIENT! EVEN THOUGH HE HAD BEEN DRIVEN OUT, HE RETURNED TO THE HOUSE AT SUNRISE!

OH! DOCTOR HUNT! ANDY'S FEVER BROKE AND HE'S SITTING UP! HE MUST BE GETTING WELL AGAIN...



IN THEIR HAPPINESS THE LOOMIS' HAD FORGOTTEN THEIR UNFOUNDED RESENTMENT OF THE DOCTOR...



HE TWISTED AND TURNED IN AGONY ALL NIGHT! THEN HE WENT LIMP! WE THOUGHT HE WAS... BUT SUDDENLY HE OPENED HIS EYES... ANDY KNEW US...

NORMAL! HIS TEMPERATURE HAS RETURNED TO NORMAL!

MY BACK... IT... IT HURTS!

DOCTOR! HOW DID ANDY GET THOSE HORRIBLE MARKS ON HIS BACK? WHAT ARE THEY?

W-WHY THEY LOOK LIKE WELTS! THE SLASH MARKS THAT COULD ONLY BE LEFT BY A WHIP! BUT, THEY... THEY'RE BENEATH THE SKIN... AND FADING FAST...



ANDY... LISTEN, LAD... DO YOU REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT BEING WHIPPED ON THE DECK OF A GALLEY...

A GALLEY? WHAT'S A GALLEY, DOCTOR?



THE END  
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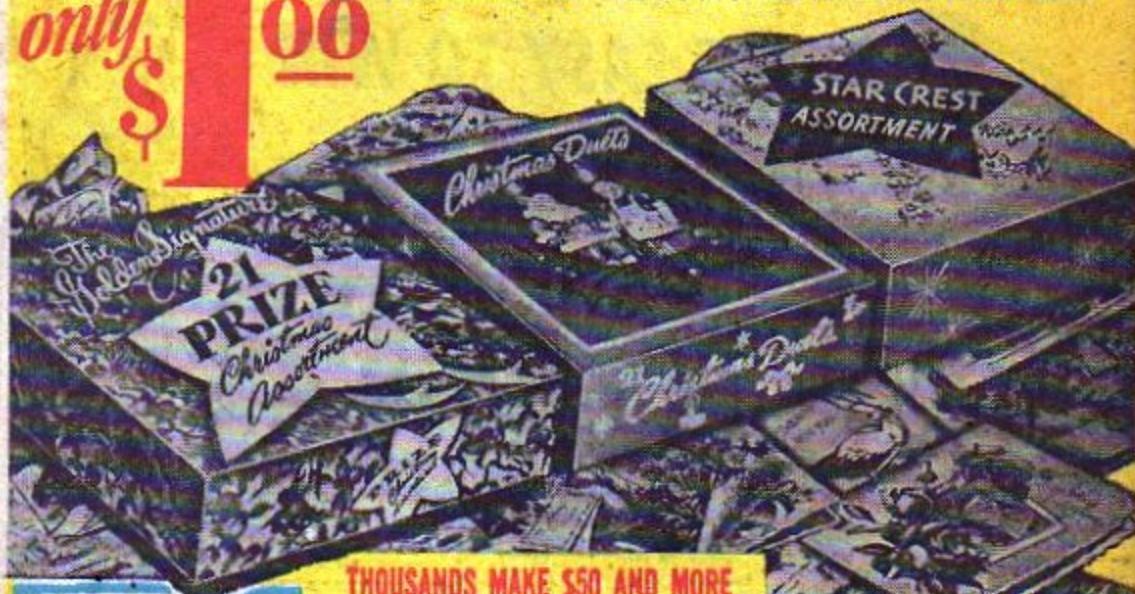
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